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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

INVENTOR : Geoffrey M. MILLER  
SERIAL NO. : 09/227,406  
FILED : January 8, 1999  
FOR : COMPUTER-BASED SYSTEM FOR AUTOMATING  
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES IN A MEDICAL  
OFFICE  
GROUP ART UNIT : 2164  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
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SIR:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the Applicant submits the following requested amendment and remarks in response to the office action mailed May 8, 2001, the response period for which expires August 8, 2001.

**REQUESTED AMENDMENT**

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claim 1 as indicated below.

- 1 1. (twice amended) A computer-based system for automating administrative procedures in a
- 2 medical office, said system comprising:
- 3 a control module including instructions for controlling automated performance of a